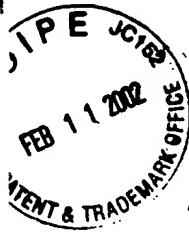


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicant: Younes, et al

Appl. No.: 09/153,631

Filed : September 15, 1998

For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DYNAMICALLY SWITCHING
BETWEEN SPEECH CODING
TECHNIQUES (old title)

Examiner: M. Opsasnick

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 23, 2001, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the title with:

B1
--METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DYNAMICALLY SWITCHING BETWEEN
SPEECH CODERS OF A MOBILE UNIT AS A FUNCTION OF RECEIVED SIGNAL
QUALITY--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- B2
1. (Amended) A wireless communication system comprising:
a base station which transmits signals;
a mobile unit which receives the signals from the base station, the mobile unit containing a first speech coder and a second speech coder, the mobile unit